Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 11 Mar 2022 until 23:59 on Saturday 12 Mar 2022

Forecast Issued on Friday 11 Mar 2022 at 03:58 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for gales Friday and Sunday, and lighter winds Saturday, but low for details of rain. Moderate improving conditions from Monday, but low for Tuesday.

Headline for Friday 11 Mar 2022: Severe gale or storm force winds. A few morning showers. Heavier afternoon rain.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 11 Mar 2022

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
Medium Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Cloudy	Cloudy	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Sleet
Precipitation probability					
20%	20%	10%	80%	80%	70%

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Weather: Cloud increases after dawn, with a spell of showery rain likely. Drier with some bright spells around midday. However, cloud soon thickens with occasionally heavy rain in the afternoon and evening, falling as sleet on the Munro tops. Severe gale or storm force winds on the tops.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30%

Low Cloud and visibility: Good outside of any low cloud. Cloud mainly near the summits in the early hours, lowering to around 600-700m soon after dawn. Cloud lifting for a couple of hours around midday or early afternoon to leave a few patches near the summits. However, cloud soon thickening and lowering to 700-800m again.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	60/73 SE	56/69 SE	46/60 SE	48/63 SE	47/62 SE	44/59 S	33/45 S
900	40/53 SE	37/50 SE	32/46 SE	36/51 SE	33/48 SE	31/46 S	25/37 S
600	52/62 SE	43/53 SE	34/46 SE	38/52 SE	38/52 SE	35/48 S	28/39 S
300	23/33 SE	21/31 SE	20/32 SE	22/36 SE	21/34 SE	21/34 S	17/27 S
Glen	12/27 SE	8/20 SE	13/28 SE	15/31 SE	16/34 SE	15/32 S	13/27 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
1300	-1/-12	1/-9	0/-9	-0/-10	0/-9	-0/-10	-1/-10
900	1/-7	3/-5	3/-4	3/-4	3/-4	2/-5	1/-5
600	5/-2	6/-0	6/0	6/-0	6/-0	5/-1	4/-2
300	6/1	8/4	9/5	8/4	8/4	7/3	6/2
Glen	7/4	9/7	11/8	10/8	10/6	9/6	8/4
Freezing Level*	1000m	1500m	1300m	1300m	1500m	1300m	1100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Serious, challenging conditions on high ground with gusts likely to take you off your feet. Some uncertainty in strength of winds but severe gale or storm force winds likely for much of the day over the higher tops.

Forecast for Saturday 12 Mar 2022
Weather: Mostly cloudier with showers, frequent during the morning, falling as snow above 800-900m. Showers increasingly scattered in the afternoon, then a mostly dry but cloudy evening. Rain arriving across Arran by midnight.

Maximum wind: South 40 gusting 55 mph, easing from the south through the early hours, 20 gusting 30 mph from dawn. Southeast 25 gusting 35-40 mph in the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30-40%.

Low Cloud and visibility: Good outside of low cloud. Frequent cloud, bases often lowering to 600-700m. An increasing chance of cloud breaks in the afternoon.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 5 Celsius rising to 7 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 1 or 2 Celsius.
Freezing level: 1000-1200m

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